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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF OREGON

PORTLAND DISTRICT

**OREGON COUNCIL FOR THE
HUMANITIES; FEDERATION OF
STATE HUMANITIES COUNCILS,**

Plaintiffs,

v.

**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY; AMY
GLEASON; NATIONAL
ENDOWMENT FOR THE
HUMANITIES; MICHAEL
MCDONALD; NATIONAL
COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES,**

Defendants.

Case No. 3:25-cv-00829-SI

DEFENDANTS' NOTICE

Defendants provide notice of several developments relevant to this matter.

On July 25, 2025, the National Endowment for the Humanities (“NEH”) approved a motion to fund applications for general operating support grants for all 56 state and jurisdictional humanities councils. NEH will determine the exact funding amounts in accord with its FY 2026 appropriations, the legislated funding formula for the councils, and its Acting Chairman’s discretionary authority. A copy of NEH’s approval and the list of the 56 grant applications is attached to this notice as Exhibit A.

In addition, on August 1, 2025, NEH announced its award of nearly \$35 million in grants for 97 humanities projects across the country. A copy of NEH’s press release and the list of grants by geographic locations is attached to this notice as Exhibit B. These materials are also available at

<https://www.neh.gov/news/neh-announces-3479-million-97-humanities-projects>, and <https://www.neh.gov/sites/default/files/2025-07/Summer%202025%20grants%20list%20state%20by%20state%20FINAL%20.pdf>.

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